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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire
 Chief Clerk & Administrator
 Public Service Commission of South Carolina
 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Duke Energy Progress, Incorporated Requesting Approval of Experimental
 Tariff on Multi-Family Energy Efficiency Program
Docket No. 2014-419-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By this letter, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") hereby notifies the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that ORS has reviewed and does not object to the filing submitted by Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or the "Company") on May 15, 2018, in the above referenced Docket.¹ The Company seeks approval from the Commission for a modification to its Residential Multi-Family Energy Efficiency Program ("Program") and to remove the "Experimental" header from the tariff.

The Program is currently offered to property managers of individually metered apartments consisting of four or more dwelling units per building. The Company proposes to expand the Program's availability to property managers of all individually metered apartments.

According to the Company, the proposed modifications will permit more customers to participate in the Program and will not materially impact the Program's cost effectiveness.

¹ In the past, relatively similar filings have been made by the Company in Commission Docket No. 2015-163-E.

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ORS reserves its right to address the reasonableness of resulting costs in a subsequent proceeding.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A M Bateman', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Andrew M. Bateman

cc: Parties of Record
Joseph Melchers, Esquire (via E-mail)